Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final rule to Authorize and manage a subsistence fishery for Pacific halibut in waters in and off Alaska (0648–AQ09)" received on April 24, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1915. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Endangered Status for a Distinct Population Segment of Smalltooth Sawfish (Pristis pectinata) in the United States (0648–XA49)" received on April 16, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1916. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Joint Hurricane Testbed (JHT) Opportunities for Transfer of Research and Technology into Tropical Cyclone Analysis and Forecast Operations" received on April 16, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1917. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to NASA interagency acquisition policies, received on April 11, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1918. A communication from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2002 Report to Congress on Apportionment of Membership on the Regional Fishery Management Councils (Council); to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1919. A communication from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmiting, pursuant to law, the biennial report describing funding to Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and the Atlantic coast states for projects that support the Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act, received on April 16, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1920. A communication from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to Atlantic highly migratory species for 2003, received on April 16, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1921. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Canadian Retirement Plan Trust Reporting (2003-25)" received on April 16, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1922. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Estimated Tax Payments (2003–34)" received on April 16, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1923. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Collectively-bargained welfare benefit funds and section 419A(f)(5) (2003-24)" received on April 16, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1924. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Debit Instruments with Original Issue Discount, Annuity Contracts (1545–AT60) (TD 8993)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1925. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure for Industry Resolution Program (Rev. Proc. 2003-36)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1926. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2002 Nonconventional Source Fuel Credit (Notice 2003-27)" received on April 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1927. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final TEFRA Regs—Unified Partnership Audit Procedures (1545-AW86)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1928. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exclusion of qualified automated demonstration use Taxation of non-qualified demonstration use (Rev. Proc. 2001–56)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1929. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification of the Conformity Election (2001-59)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1930. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit, or abatement; determination of correct tax liability (Rev. Proc. 2002-2)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1931. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Restaurant Smallwares (Rev. Proc. 2002–12)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1932. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Automatic Consent to Change a Method of Accounting (Rev. Proc. 2002-9)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1933. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Qualified 501 (c)(3) Bonds (Notice 2002-10)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1934. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of Partial Payments to Assessed Tax, Penalty, and Interest (Rev. Proc. 2002–26)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1935. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weighted average interest rate update notice (notice 2002–28)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1936. A communication form the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare Management, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Notice of Ambulance Fee Schedule in Accordance with Federal District Court Order (0938-AM60)" received on April 22, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of April 11, 2003, the following reports of committees were submitted on April 24, 2003:

By Mr. McCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with amendments:

S. 165. A bill to improve air cargo security (Rept. No. 108–38).

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee or Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 925. An original bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and international broadcasting activities for fiscal year 2004 and for the Peace Corps for fiscal years 2004 through 2007, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108–39).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS—April 24, 2003

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 925. An original bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and international broadcasting activities for fiscal year 2004 and for the Peace Corps for fiscal years 2004 through 2007, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; placed on the calendar.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. VOINOVICH:

S. 926. A bill to amend section 5379 of title 5, United States Code, to increase the annual and aggregate limits on student loan repayments by Federal agencies; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. LEVIN) (by request):

S. 927. A bill to promote the national security by providing a National Security Personnel System for the Department of Defense; a streamlined acquisition system both efficient and effective in order to provide servicemembers on the battlefield with the most modern and lethal equipment; realistic appropriations and authorization laws responsive to an ever-changing national security environment; and the coordination of the activities of the Department of Defense with other departments and agencies of the Government concerned with national security; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ALLEN:

S. 928. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals to designate any portion of a refund for use by the Secretary of Health and Human Services in providing catastrophic health coverage to individuals who do not otherwise have health coverage; to the Committee on Finance.